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County to host inaugural community bike ride event

LĪHU'E – The public is invited to attend the inaugural Rice Roll bicycle event on Aug. 1 at 4:45 p.m. Bicyclists of all ages and abilities will meet at the Lihue Civic Center Rotunda for an opportunity to ride their bikes together in a safe and fun-filled atmosphere.

The County of Kaua'i is partnering with Hawai'i Pacific Health, Wilcox Health, Get Fit Kaua'i, Kaua'i Path and the Lihue Business Association to bring the community this first-time event.

"I'm excited for this community bike ride," said Mayor Bernard P. Carvalho Jr. "I invite everyone to join us for this celebration of fun and healthy living."

Jen Chahanovich, president and CEO of Wilcox Medical Center, said the mission of Wilcox Health is to create a healthier Hawai'i.

"Events such as the Rice Roll bike ride allow us the opportunity to inspire healthier, active lifestyles within the Kaua'i community," said Chahanovich.

Kaua'i Path has been coordinating safe, fun, easy-paced bicycle rides in the communities for many years.

"We are thrilled to build momentum around the Rice Street revitalization, and partner with this group of organizations and the County of Kaua'i in promoting prudent bicycling centered on the Lihue town core," said Tommy Noyes, executive director of Kaua'i Path. "Folks

of all ages are welcome, nobody gets left behind, and we always hear very positive feedback from participants."

For those needing a bicycle to participate, Kaua'i Path can often accommodate requests for loaner equipment submitted through the KauaiPath.org web site.

If you need an ASL interpreter, materials in an alternate format, or other auxiliary aid support, please contact Lee Steinmetz at 241-4978 or Isteinmetz@kauai.gov at least seven days before the event.



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